## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

1) (Currently amended) A trimmer of the type comprising:

a motor (2);

a tool head (3);

a tubular arm (4) fitted at a first axial end to [[the]] <u>a</u> casing of said motor (2), and supporting said head (3) at a second axial end;

a propeller shaft (5) housed inside said arm (4) and angularly integral with a drive shaft of said motor (2);

a bevel gear pair (6) housed inside said head (3) and defined by a first hub (12) coaxial with said propeller shaft (5) and having a first bevel gear (13), and by a second hub (14) having a second bevel gear (15) meshing with said first bevel gear (13); [[and]]

a tool shaft (23) angularly integral with said second hub (14); and

eharacterized by comprising a first adapter (16) for making said first hub (12) and said propeller shaft (5) angularly integral; wherein said first adapter (16) comprises a first portion (17) in which is formed a hole (18) engaged by a portion (5a) of said propeller shaft (5); and an externally threaded second portion (21) screwed inside a threaded hole (12a) formed in said first hub (12).

- 2. Cancelled.
- 3. (Currently amended) A trimmer as claimed in Claim 1, eharacterized in that wherein said head (3) comprises a casing (7) defined by two tubular portions (24, 25), of which a first

tubular portion (24) is coaxial with said first hub (12), and a second tubular portion (25) is coaxial with said second hub (14);

said second tubular portion housing said second hub (14) and a large portion of said tool shaft (23);

said first tubular portion (24) housing said first hub (12) and said first adapter (16); and said first tubular portion (24) being fitted to said second axial end of said arm (4) by means of a second adapter (27).

- 4. (Currently amended) A trimmer as claimed in Claim 3, eharacterized in that wherein said second adapter (27) is tubular, and is fitted to said second axial end of said arm (4).
- 5. (Currently amended) A trimmer as claimed in Claim 4, eharacterized in that wherein said second adapter (27) comprises, at a first axial end, an edge bent outwards to form a rim (27b) on which the edge of the axial end of said first tubular portion (24) of said casing (7) rests, and comprises, at a second axial end, an edge bent inwards to form a rim (27c) which rests on the edge of said second axial end of said arm (4).
- 6. (Currently amended) A trimmer as claimed in Claim 3, eharacterized in that wherein said second adapter (27) is defined by a laterally open tubular member (27a).
- 7. (Currently amended) A trimmer as claimed in Claim 3, characterized in that wherein said first tubular portion (24) of said easing (7) has an axial opening (30), and from the facing edges of said opening (30) extend outwards two parallel tabs (31), each having a through hole (32), and one

of which holes is threaded;

a bolt (33) being fitted first through the non-threaded said hole (32) of a first tab (31), and then being screwed inside the threaded said hole (32) of the second tab (31) to firmly grip said second axial end of said arm (4).

- 8. (Currently amended) A trimmer as claimed in Claim 7, eharacterized in that wherein an appendix (27d) extends outwards from said second adapter (27), and in particular inside the gap between said tabs (31), and is therefore gripped between said tabs (31).
- 9. (Currently amended) A tool head for a trimmer, comprising:

a bevel gear pair (6) defined by a first hub (12) coaxial with a propeller shaft (5) and having a first bevel gear (13), and by a second hub (14) having a second bevel gear (15) meshing with said first bevel gear (13); [[and]]

a tool shaft (23) angularly integral with said second hub (14); and

characterized by comprising a first adapter (16) for making said first hub (12) and said propeller shaft (5) angularly integral;

wherein said first adapter (16) comprises a first portion (17) in which is formed a hole (18) engaged by a portion (5a) of said propeller shaft (5); and an externally threaded second portion (21) screwed inside a threaded hole (12a) formed in said first hub (12).

- 10. (Currently amended) A tool head as claimed in Claim 9, characterized by and further comprising
  - a casing (7) defined by two tubular portions (24, 25), of which a first tubular portion (24) is

coaxial with said first hub (12), and a second tubular portion (25) is coaxial with said second hub (14);

said second tubular portion housing said second hub (14) and a large portion of said tool shaft (23);

said first tubular portion (24) housing said first hub (12) and said first adapter (16); and said first tubular portion (24) being fitted, by means of a second adapter (27), to an axial end of an arm (4) housing said propeller shaft (5).